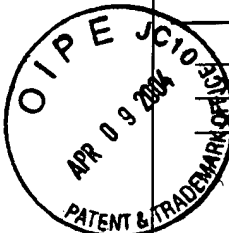


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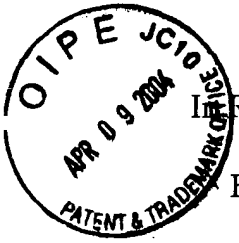
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Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.78, Applicants note that the above-identified patent application may be related to the following U.S. Patents and Patent Applications:

- (1) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/390,193, filed March 14, 2003, entitled, "IMAGE DATA GENERATION WITH REDUCED AMOUNT OF PROCESSING";
- (2) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/390,263, filed March 14, 2003, entitled, "IMAGE COMPRESSION DEVICE, IMAGE DECOMPRESSION DEVICE, IMAGE COMPRESSION/DECOMPRESSION DEVICE, PROGRAM FOR EXECUTING ON A COMPUTER TO PERFORM FUNCTIONS OF SUCH DEVICES, AND RECORDING MEDIUM STORING SUCH A PROGRAM;"

- (3) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/156,093, filed May 29, 2002, entitled,
"IMAGE COMPRESSION APPARATUS, IMAGE DECOMPRESSION
APPARATUS, IMAGE COMPRESSION METHOD, IMAGE
DECOMPRESSION METHOD, COMPUTER PROGRAM PRODUCT,
AND RECORDING MEDIUM;"
- (4) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/164,545, filed June 10, 2002, entitled,
"IMAGE COMPRESSION METHOD AND APPARATUS, IMAGE
EXPANSION METHOD AND APPARATUS, AND STORAGE
MEDIUM;"
- (5) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/073,969, filed February 14, 2002, entitled
"IMAGE INPUT APPARATUS;"
- (6) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/082,308, filed February 26, 2002, entitled
"IMAGE PROCESSING SCHEME;"
- (7) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/102,633, filed March 22, 2002, entitled,
"IMAGE FORMATION UNIT AND IMAGE FORMATION
APPARATUS;"
- (8) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/940,432, filed August 29, 2001, entitled
"IMAGE PROCESSING METHOD AND APPARATUS AND
COMPUTER-READABLE STORAGE MEDIUM USING IMPROVED
DISTORTION CORRECTION;"
- (9) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/912,364, filed July 26, 2001, entitled
"SYSTEM, METHOD AND COMPUTER ACCESSIBLE STORAGE
MEDIUM FOR IMAGE PROCESSING;"
- (10) U.S. Patent Application No. 09/893,784, filed June 29, 2001, entitled,
"IMAGE INPUT APPARATUS AND IMAGE INPUT METHOD;"
- (11) U.S. Patent Application No. 00-714,154, filed November 17, 2000;
- (12) U.S. Patent Application No. 00-693,986, filed October 23, 2000;
- (13) U.S. Patent Application No. 00-645,511, filed August 25, 2000;
- (14) U.S. Patent Application No. 00-584,254, filed May 31, 2000;


- (15) U.S. Patent Application No. 00-503,809, filed February 15, 2000;
- (16) U.S. Patent Application No. 02-055,222, filed January 22, 2002, entitled, "PROJECTOR WITH ADJUSTABLY POSITIONED IMAGE PLATE;"
- (17) U.S. Patent No. 6,361,171, issued March 26, 2002, entitled, "PROJECTOR WITH ADJUSTABLY POSITIONED IMAGE PLATE;"
- (18) U.S. Patent Application No. 10/164,648, filed June 10, 2002, entitled "COORDINATE POSITION INPUTTING/DETECTING DEVICE, A METHOD FOR INPUTTING/DETECTING THE COORDINATE POSITION, AND A DISPLAY BOARD SYSTEM;"
- (19) U.S. Patent No. 6,421,042, issued July 16, 2002, entitled "COORDINATE POSITION INPUTTING/DETECTING DEVICE, A METHOD FOR INPUTTING/DETECTING THE COORDINATE POSITION, AND A DISPLAY BOARD SYSTEM;"
- (20) U.S. Patent No. 6,370,667, issued April 9, 2002, entitled, "CRC OPERATING CALCULATING METHOD AND CRC OPERATIONAL CALCULATION CIRCUIT;"
- (21) U.S. Patent Application No. 99-346,277, filed July 1, 1999;
- (22) U.S. Patent Application No. 99-348,451, filed July 7, 1999, entitled, "METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR IMAGE PROCESSING WHICH IMPROVES PERFORMANCE OF GRAY SCALE IMAGE TRANSFORMATION;"
- (23) U.S. Patent No. 6,518,960, issued February 11, 2003, entitled, "ELECTRONIC BLACKBOARD SYSTEM;" and
- (24) U.S. Patent Application No. 99-227,707, filed January 8, 1999.

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